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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Applicant hereby requests that prior to first examination on the merits, the subject application be amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. An elongate device for insertion into a living body, the device having an antenna at its tip for coupling radiation into biological matter and a dielectric body surrounding the antenna so as to encompass substantially the whole of the near-field of the radiation emitted by the antenna.

2. A device as claimed in claim 1 in which the dielectric body extends from the antenna a distance determined in accordance with the wavelength of said radiation in the dielectric.